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SNOW-ING GEESE - Thousands of snow geese have again made their pilgrimage to Fulton County for the winter season. This huge gathering of geese was found taking advantage of a water hole in a Lower Bottom field, west of Hickman, Sunday afternoon. Many of the geese can also be seen at the observation tower on the Reelfoot Wildlife Refuge in Fulton County. (Photo by Charles Choate.)

Ten-digit dialing after February 1

The deadline for mandatory 10-digit dialing for local calls is fast approaching. On February 1 area code 364 will be added to the same geographic area as the current area code 270. This will require customers to dial 270 when making phone calls.

That means that there is less than a month left in the "permissive dialing" period during which customers can dial either seven or 10-digits when making local calls in area code 270. This is important to remember when calling

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THIS WEEK



OBITUARIES

Daubrey Lawrence
James "Sam" Weatherly
Louise Curlin
Paul Lee Williams
Robert Pair

RIVER STAGE FORECASTS OHIO RIVER AT CAIRO, ILL.

Wednesday, Jan. 15 – 28.5
Thursday, Jan. 16 – 29.2
Friday, Jan. 17 – 30.5
Saturday, Jan. 18 – 31.8
Sunday, Jan. 19 – 32.8

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Local Weather

Thu 1/16 49/23
Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the low 20s.

Fri 1/17 31/22
Windy with times of sun and clouds.

Sat 1/18 46/26
Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the mid 20s.

Sun 1/19 48/32
A few clouds. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the low 30s.

Mon 1/20 56/31
Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 30s.

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FIRST TIME DUCK HUNTER - C.J. Bond went duck hunting for the first time this year. He is shown with some of the ducks he was able to shoot during a duck hunt outing in Fulton County. See our duck hunting feature with stories on the Coffeys and Major families on page 10 of this week's Courier. (Photo submitted.)

Boat fire lands duck hunter in cold river

Charlotte Smith
Editor

With temperatures reaching only in the teens and dropping below zero on Monday, Jan. 6 for the low, life expectancy in the cold Mississippi River could be a matter of minutes. Two lucky duck hunters experienced this first hand last week.

According to Sgt. Garry Clark,

Public Information Officer for Fish and Wildlife, the twosome were hunting from a Jon boat equipped with a 50 hp motor and a cloth boat blind. With the temperatures as cold as they were, they also had on board a propane heater.

The propane heater inadvertently ignited the boat blind, forcing one of

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Grand Jury indicts Valles

A vehicle pursuit with excess speeds of over 90 mph back on December 27, which began in Graves County and then into Hickman and Fulton counties, has resulted in the Fulton Grand Jury indicting Johnathon Valles. The pursuit, lasting 34 minutes with a maximum speed of 102 mph, involved the Fulton County Sheriff's Office for 25 1/2 miles, beginning at the 8-mile marker of the Purchase Parkway and ending at Pilot Oak. Valles drove through three different fields, with six Fulton County vehicles in the area at the time of the chase. Valles was indicted on Thursday, Jan. 9 with the following charges: Fleeing and Evading Police, 1st Degree; Wanton Endangerment, 1st Degree, Police Officer; Wanton Endangerment, 1st Degree; Reckless Driving, Violation; Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence, 1st Offense With Aggravating Circumstances, Misdemeanor; Operating On a Suspended License; Receiving Stolen Property Under \$10,000; Speeding, Violation; and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree.

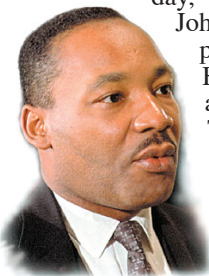
Others indicted by the Grand Jury include the following:

• Johnny Wilson - Possession Of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon and Per-

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MLK march set for Monday at 5 p.m.

The Dr. Martin Luther King Day march will begin at 5 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20, from Johnson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church and proceed to Thomas Chapel C.M.E. Church. Church services will begin at 5:30 p.m.



Chamber of Commerce to publish Hickman history book

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Hickman is rich in history and documenting that history is vital for generations to come. Martha Campbell, Hickman Chamber of Commerce Director, and the Chamber Board have decided to take on the task of compiling the book "History of Hickman, Ky."

"I am so excited about this new venture for the Chamber and the City of Hickman," stated Campbell. "A local business has agreed to assist with the funds for publishing the book if we take on the project."

Campbell is looking to start the book in 1835, the year Mills Point was established. "We are looking for information on Mills Point and Hickman beginning in 1835 and will conclude it in 1976 (Bicentennial)," she said.

The Hickman Courier will be assisting the Chamber with this project with the gathering of information and old photographs.

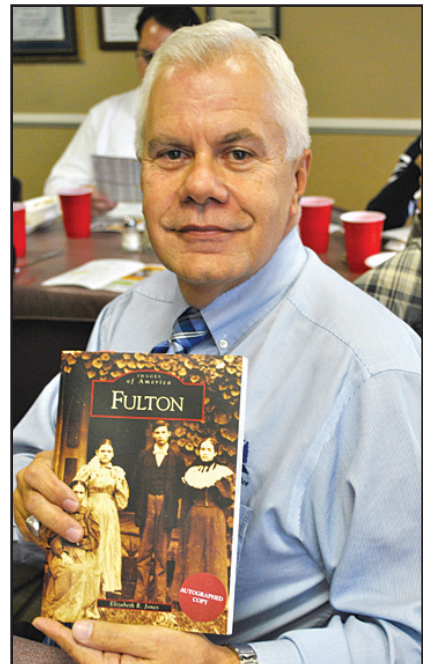
Others assisting with the project, which requires a lot of time and attention to detail, are Lois Birk and Beth Jones. Birk and Jones were instrumental in the success of Fulton's history book, which was printed a second time. The first printing was for 250 books and they sold them for \$20 a piece. "When we received the first order of 250 books we sold them almost immediately," stated Birk. "This was a grassroots effort and we were pleased with the response." Funds from the second printing will assist other sustainable local preservation projects in Fulton.

After printing costs, the Twin Cities Heritage Committee donated funds to assist the Boy Scouts with the construction of a new building.

Photographs and information can be brought to the Carnegie Museum Tuesdays through Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Any other time, they can be brought to the Courier office on Moscow Avenue.

Campbell will be gathering the photos and information until May 1, 2014.

For more information or to ask questions, contact Campbell at the Chamber office at 270-236-2902.



HISTORICAL BOOK - Pete Morgan is holding a copy of the Fulton history book, which has had two publication runs. The Hickman Chamber of Commerce will soon be working on one for Hickman. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Levee expenses exceed income

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Fulton County's Levee is located in Watershed 1 and taxes collected will generate \$9,751.31 in revenue for the levee based on the current tax rate of .065.

Watershed 2, Madrid Bend's tax rate is significantly higher at a rate of .500, generating \$14,031.90 in revenue. The lowest of three in Fulton County is Obion's Water Shed with a tax rate of .0506 and generating only \$803.35 in potential income. These figures are

based on a 100% collection of taxes.

Why is this significant? In recent years the Fulton County Levee Board has performed a lot of needed maintenance on the levee, including the relief well project and the cleaning out of the ditch at the pump station. This has amounted to spending a majority of the cash the board had on hand, which was generated when some timber was cut back in 2006-2007.

The Levee Board has no other ways to

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Gallagher questions Kynectors

Charlotte Smith
Editor

"Our mission is to enroll people in Kynect," stated Jackie Eubanks. Eubanks and Robyn Luther, Kynectors are in person assisters for Kentucky's version of the Affordable Care Act, addressed the Fulton County Fiscal Court on Monday, Jan. 13. Currently there are approximately 640,000 people in the state of Kentucky who are uninsured.

Fulton County Judge/Executive David Gallagher welcomed Eubanks and Luther, asking the question "Who is going to pay for this expanded version of Medicaid?"

"Kentucky is already bankrupt practically because of Medicaid," stated Judge/Executive Gallagher. "I think more people will move into the state of

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DRIVING WITH HER EYES ON THE HOOP - Fulton County graduate Alex Barnett (in red) drives to the hoop during a Thursday night game at Mayfield High School. Barnett plays for Benedictine University of Springfield, Ill. Her team faced off against Mid-Continent. Barnett graduated from FCHS in May 2010. (See more photos on page 4.) (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Atwill looks to hold Judge/Executive office

A third candidate has filed to run for Fulton County Judge/Executive in the upcoming election. J.L. Atwill, of the Cayce Community, is seeking the same office as candidates David Weatherly

of Hickman, and Jim Martin of Fulton.

The deadline to file for a political office in the May primary is January 28, 2014.

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Turning Back The Clock

25 Years Ago
April 27, 1989
Obituaries: Frances Catherine Kemp, 86; Lois Powell Langford, 85; Andrew Wilson Kilpatrick; 51; and Mrs. Eva Bates, 64.

A 22 year-old black male, name Kevin Warren, remained hospitalized early this week after a stabbing at Indian Hills Village Sunday night, according to a Hickman Police report.

Cindy Harris, a Fulton County High School senior, was recently chosen as a State Finalist in the Imaginative Writing Exhibition of the 1989 Kennedy Center Imagination Celebration of Kentucky co-sponsored by the Kentucky Arts Council and the Kentucky Department of Education.

Pictured: The 1989 Campbellsville College Singers include Tammy Luttrell of Somerset; Kathleen Bush of Elizabethtown; Donna Rice of Hickman. Bill Adams of Bardstown; Rob Ovesen of Upton; and Jon Neikirk of Somerset.

Dereck Argo was named King and flair for fashion during a beauty revue at Union City Middle School recently. Dereck is the son of Chad and Kim Argo of Fulton and participated in the 0-23 months age division. The revue was sponsored by the United Rubber Works Local 878 Ladies Auxiliary.

50 Years Ago
July 30, 1964
Tommy Hepler owned a purebred polled Hereford steer that was judged grand champion at Jones Grain Company's annual beef calf show July 24 at Woodland Mills.

County Agent John Watts is attending a special one week course in weed control at UK in Lexington from July 27 to 31.

A skillet of red-hot grease caused considerable smoke damage at the home of Marian White on Troy Avenue about 5:00 p.m. Friday.

In spite of warnings being placed at the dangerous Union City Highway-Bypass intersection, another accident has occurred and miraculously no one was seriously hurt.

75 Years Ago
July 21, 1939
Licenses for the operation of motor vehicles will expire at midnight on July 31; hence it is imperative that all drivers secure a new license before that time, according to an announcement by J.E. Attebery, Circuit Clerk.

Curtailment of all expenses of the Works Project Administration (W.P.A.) in Kentucky to meet a reduced appropriation and other requirements of the 1939 Relief Appropriation Act recently passed by Congress was in full swing throughout the State today.

125 Years Ago
August 4, 1889
Miss Anne Sherron, one of the most popular and successful of all the lady teachers of our public schools, will open a private school in the old school building commencing Monday, Sept. 2. She is an excellent teacher and as such, her reputation is well established in this community.

Capt. Jas. Cronin's two steamboats, the "C. Shults" and the "Arkansas City" were caught in the cyclone last Sunday evening at Slough Landing and completely wrecked. The former was intended for a New Madrid and Hickman packet and the "Kansas City" was filled out with a stock of goods.

Miss M.R. Bright announces that she will open a private school in Hickman on September 2. Miss Bright is an excellent teacher and we hope she will be liberally patronized. Her school will be on the corner of Wabash and Cumberland Streets, formerly occupied by Chas. Clark.

Minimal flu effects felt in county, widespread across the state

Public Health Urges Vaccination for Kentuckians
Kentucky Department for Public Health (DPH) officials reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) last week that the influenza (flu) activity level in the state has increased from regional to widespread. Fulton County Schools shut down at the end of January last year for four days as a way to stop the flu from making its way through the students and staff. "So far this year Fulton County Elementary/Middle School has one confirmed case of the flu and six more out with a stomach bug," said Principal Julie Jackson.

At the high school level, Principal Tracey Lamb has one student out with a stomach bug, but no confirmed cases of the flu, as of Thursday, Jan. 9.

"With current widespread flu activity being reported in Kentucky and across much of the nation, now is a good time to protect yourself and your family by getting vaccinated for flu," said Stephanie Mayfield, M.D., commissioner of DPH. "We are strongly urging anyone who hasn't received a flu vaccine, particularly those at high risk for complications related to the flu, to check with their health care provider, local health department or pharmacy about vaccine availability."

The best way to protect against the flu is to receive a flu vaccination. The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommends flu vaccine for all individuals 6 months of age and older. People who are especially encouraged to receive the flu vaccine, because they may be at higher risk

Lattus receives recognition for growing 24 pound cabbage

For many years, third-grade teachers at Union City Elementary School have offered the opportunity for their students to participate in the National Bonnie Plants Cabbage Program.

This time, it has paid off in a big way for a now fourth-grader. It was announced on Friday that UCES student Elizabeth Lattus grew a humongous cabbage and was randomly selected by the Tennessee Agriculture Department as the state winner. She will receive a \$1,000 savings bond towards her education from Bonnie Plants.

Elizabeth, who represented Marilyn Gilliam's 2012-13 third-grade class in the Bonnie Cabbage Program at the state level, is the daughter of Ben and Angie Lattus.

This year, more than 1.5 million third-graders in 48 states, including 42,746 in Tennessee, got hands-on gardening experience growing colossal cabbages with high hopes of winning "best in state" and receiving a \$1,000 scholarship towards education from Bonnie Plants.

Each year Bonnie Plants, the largest producer of vegetable and herb plants in North America, with 72 stations across the country, trucks free O.S. Cross, or "oversized," cabbage plants to third-grade classrooms whose teachers have signed up for the program online at www.bonnieplants.com. If nurtured and cared for, students can grow green, giant cabbages, some tipping the scales at 40 pounds. Elizabeth's cabbage measured 42 inches wide and 48 inches tall and weighed in at more than

24 pounds. Launched nationally in 2002, the program awards a \$1,000 scholarship to one student in each participating state. At the end of the season, teachers from each class select the student who has grown the "best" cabbage, based on size and appearance. A digital image of the cabbage and student is submitted online at www.bonnieplants.com. That student's name is then entered in a statewide drawing. State winners are randomly selected by the commission of agriculture, in each of 48 participating states.

"The Bonnie Plants Cabbage Program is a wonderful way to engage children's interest in agriculture, while teaching them not only the basics of gardening, but the importance of our food systems and growing our own," said Stan Cope, president of Bonnie Plants.

"This unique, innovative program exposes children to agriculture and demonstrates, through hands-on experience, where food comes from. The program also affords our youth with some valuable life lessons in nurture, nature, responsibility, self-confidence and accomplishment."

"Over the course of the past 11 years, the Bonnie Plants Cabbage Program has proved to be an exciting, worthwhile experience that children, teachers, parents and grandparents across the country have embraced. We're pleased and proud to provide our youth with this enjoyable

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MILDER CONDITIONS - On Saturday, Jan. 11, Josh Parker, of west Hickman, was out delivering mail without a coat on. The high on Saturday was a balmy 59.1 and on Sunday it was still mild with a reading of 55.1. This is after the temperature reached only 16.6 on Monday, Jan. 6 and the low was minus 1.1 on Tuesday, Jan. 7. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

for complications or negative consequences, include:

- Children age 6 months to 19 years;
- Pregnant women;
- Young and middle-aged adults for the 2013-2014 influenza season;
- People 50 years old or older;
- People of any age with chronic health problems;
- People who live in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities;
- Health care workers;
- Caregivers of or people who live with a person at high risk for complications from the flu; and
- Out-of-home caregivers of, or people who live with children less than 6 months old.

"In this flu season so far, H1N1 has continued to circulate and there have been reports nationally of severe illness in young and middle-aged adults," said Dr. Mayfield. "We strongly recommend vaccination of children, teenager and young to middle-aged adults, even if they are healthy, to prevent the spread of and complications from the flu this year. All forms of flu vaccine available in Ken-

tucky this year provide protection against the pandemic H1N1 influenza virus."

Approximately 23,000 deaths due to seasonal flu and its complications occur on average each year in the U.S., according to recently updated estimates from the CDC. However, actual numbers of deaths vary from year to year.

Reader Information

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Cayce - Cayce Cafe, Cayce Junction, and Cayce Oil & Lube

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BIG CABBAGE — Union City Elementary School fourth-grader Elizabeth Lattus, daughter of Ben and Angie Lattus, recently won the state award for the Bonnie Cabbage Program. She represented Marilyn Gilliam's 2012-13 third-grade class at the state level and will receive a \$1,000 savings bond for her education from Bonnie Plants. The students received the cabbages in the spring as part of the program, which was implemented by Bonnie to encourage students to learn about gardening and the satisfaction that comes from growing their own food. After a few weeks, Elizabeth's plant measured 42 inches wide and 48 inches tall and weighed in at more than 24 pounds.

SENIOR Spotlight

Andria Brockwell
Parent's names: Bridget Atwill and Chris Brockwell
Brothers name: Blayne Brockwell
Plans after graduation: Attend college and become a licensed professional counselor.
Clubs, activities, accomplishments, and etc.: HOSA, JAM, and Beta.
Favorite part of school: When the bell rings at 3:00.
Something interesting about yourself: I don't have toenails on my pinky toes. I have to paint the skin.
Fondest memory while at Fulton County High School: When Mr. Benningfield yelled at the whole school because someone rolled the school.

Austin Matheny
Parent's names: J.J. Greer and Shane Matheny
Brothers' names: Cameron Matheny, and Zach Greer
Sports you play (if any): Football and basketball
Position you play: Middle linebacker, wide receiver, and forward.
Favorite thing about your sport (what makes you enjoy playing): Getting to hit people.
Plans after graduation: Go to college and study criminal justice.
Clubs, activities, accomplishments, and etc.: Skills USA
Favorite part of school: Chilling it with Ms. Isbell
Something interesting about yourself: Keeping it 99+1
Fondest memory while at Fulton County High School: Spending 45 days in A.E.P. with my boy Nick Kelly.

Congratulations

ANDRIA BROCKWELL

WE'RE PROUD OF YOU AND WISH YOU LUCK IN THE FUTURE, MOM AND BLAYNE

BEST WISHES

Austin Matheny

We're Proud of Your Accomplishments! Mom, Cameron, Zach, Paige and Bentlee

BEST OF LUCK

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU.

Love, Memama, Granddaddy, Aunt Jessica and Tyler

Congratulations and BEST WISHES

I'm So Proud Of You

Love, Dad

Congratulations and BEST WISHES

We are proud of you. With love from Va. Aunt Tori, Uncle Jon, Destiny and C.J.

Congratulations Austin Matheny

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Deed Transfers

The following Deed Transfers were recorded in the office of Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy January 3 – 7, 2014:

Judith A. Vianey and husband Paul I. Vianey of Perry, Ga.; Linda L. Beaman and husband Tice Ray Beaman of Sebring, Fla.; Charles B. Amberg and wife Barbara S. Amberg of Hendersonville, NC; and Barbara A. Parker and husband Billy Michael Parker of Bessemer, Ala. to Walter E. Goodman and wife Sally Goodman of Hickman, Ky., property in Fulton County, Ky., value \$200,000.00, January 3, 2014.

Mahendra P. Shah and wife Daxa M. Shah of Fulton, Ky. to Shri Hari Liquor, LLC of Bolingbrook, IL, property in Fulton County, Ky., value \$250,000.00, January 6, 2014.

Jackie Russell, Executor of the Estate of Patti L. Moyers, to Laurie Marie Young, property

in Fulton County, Ky., value \$1,200,000.00, January 6, 2014.

Donald Thompson, Executor of the Estate of Mable E. Johnston to Earline Thompson, property in Fulton County, Ky., value \$82,500.00, January 7, 2014.

Senator McConnell files for re-election

LOUISVILLE, KY – Team Mitch announced that Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell officially filed his paperwork for re-election Tuesday, Jan. 7 in Kentucky with the signatures of the other two statewide elected Republicans, Senator Rand Paul and Agriculture Commissioner James Comer. In correlation with the filing, Team Mitch released a new video titled "United," which will be backed by a substantial online and social media push.

Marriage Licenses

The following Marriage Licenses were recorded in the office of Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy:

Robin Michelle Johnson of Hickman, Ky., and John Brantly Amberg of Hickman, December 21, 2013.

Megan Nichole Bradley of Hickman, and Jon Scott Turner Somerfield of Hickman, December 30, 2013.

Brittany Nicole Harper of Martin, Tenn. and Jonathan Naylor Burnette of Fulton, Ky., December 28, 2013.



The Hickman Courier wishes all these good folks a very happy birthday! Help make their days more special by remembering them with a card or a phone call.

January 20 – Joe Baldridge, Venessia Gaskins, Stephanie Land, and Amanda Warren.

January 21 – Betty Joyce Felts, Jackie Clark, and Donna Liliker.

January 22–Robbie Blincoe, Vicki Sargent McGregor, and Rita Winters.

January 23 – Judy Lynn

Morgan, Brenda Kimbel, Donna Baxter, and Chuck Holliday.

January 24 – Mickey Shuff, Judy Grady, Robert Hulin, Susan Malone, CaToya Hendrix, and Caleb Kimble.

January 25 – Carnie Roper, James Thomas, Jr., Ora Ervin, Willie Hagler, and Tevin Crumble.

January 26 – Jeffrey Curlin, Johnny Curlin, Ricky Johnson, Micah Canaday, Jonathon Henderson, and Ashton Force Reilly.

Space and Flight month continues at Discovery Park of America

January is Space and Flight month at Discovery Park of America in Union City. The opportunity to learn more about space continues this weekend, as Discovery Park is offering a classroom lecture series all day Saturday, Jan. 18. At 11 a.m., Dr. Lionel Crews, Astro Physisist, will present an hour-long lecture entitled, “Exotic Objects in Space.” From 1 p.m. – 2 p.m., Diane Bell, Aero Space Instructor will present “Living in Space.” And, wrapping up the lectures, at 3 p.m., Philip Senn will present, “GPS Navigation Technology” also known as geocaching. These lectures are



BRINGING THE MOON TO LIFE - Cate Colburn, age 8, and Claire Colburn, age 10, from Calvert City, KY recently admired the moon rock samples in the Temporary Space Exhibit at Discovery Park of America. The sisters are members of Discovery Park and this is their second visit. When asked about her favorite Discovery Park exhibit, Cate said, “I like it all, because all of it is so cool! I can’t choose.” The lunar samples are on display in the ATA Temporary Exhibit Gallery as part of Discovery Park’s month long Space and Flight month. For more information about Discovery Park of America or Space and Flight month, visit the website at www.discoveryparkofamerica.com.



FIRST WATCH D.O.G.S. - Ricky Parnell was the first Watch D.O.G.S (Dads of Great Students) at Fulton County Elementary/Middle School. The program kicked off on December 12 with 54 men and 96 students participating. D.O.G.S. is a program which engages the participation of men in the school. They provide positive male role models for the students while enhancing school security at the same time. (Photo submitted.)



The wintertime blues is already here especially with the temperatures going from single digits to mild and back to cold. Staying bundled up in the house 24/7 doesn’t benefit anyone that is sick and sometimes delays them from getting better. Some people are used to heading out the front door in the summer, but in the winter they hate to face that cold wintry wind blowing through their bodies.

Do you know how much caffeine we consume on a daily basis – An eight-ounce serving of cola has 25 milligrams (mg) of caffeine. Figures for seven servings of cola would come out to about 175 mg of caffeine. The caffeine is absorbed from the body and passes quickly into the brain. The body gets rid of caffeine through frequent urination.

What is caffeine put into – Caffeine comes from tea, coffee and cocoa beans. Caffeine is made with coffee, tea, soft drinks and even some medications such

as: pain relievers, diet pills, and cold medicines.

Caffeine in foods – Caffeine in foods can vary by the brand. They say an eight-ounce serving of coffee can range from 60 milligrams for the weaker brew to 180 mg for a stronger brew. Decaffeinated products contain a small amount of caffeine. The decaffeinated coffee and tea will contain two to four milligrams per cup.

The side effects of caffeine – The amount of caffeine in two to four cups of coffee a day is not harmful. This would allow the equivalent to 200-300 mg of caffeine per day. The side effects are: Anxiety, Depression, Urinating more often, Vomiting, Nausea, Difficulty sleeping, Tremors, Restlessness, and A fast heart rate.

Withdrawal Symptoms – There are withdrawal symptoms if you go too long without the caffeine and your body has become used to getting the caffeine on a regular basis.

The withdrawal symptoms are: Headaches, Irritability, Nausea, Vomiting, and Drowsiness.

The labels don’t show how much caffeine is in the containers – Most manufacturers don’t tell how much caffeine is in the containers but shows it on the nutrition facts label and down below where the ingredients are. The amount of caffeine contained in a particular product can be obtained by contacting the manufacturer or visiting the website.

Please be careful and watch for deer if you like to drive at night or even if you live in the country because they are out hot and heavy this time of year.

Weekly activities at the Senior Center always include Thursday, Jan. 16, 10:30; Exercise. Vonceil Leyhue; Friday, Jan. 17, Rook, 11:30; Bingo; Monday, Jan. 20, Closed, Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 10:30; Chinese Exercise, Jim Legg; Wednesday, Jan. 22, 10:30; Amy Thompson, Blood

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Cabbage

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and enriching opportunity and engage their interest in the art and joy of gardening,” said Cope.

Growing a colossal cabbage may seem like a giant undertaking for little children, but it’s easier than one might think. All a person would need to do is:

- Let the sunshine in: Cabbages need at least six hours of full sunlight, more if possible.
- Survey the space: Bonnie O.S. cabbages need at least three feet on each side to spread out. If the grower does not have that much space, they should use a large container.
- Supplement soil: Work some compost into the soil — cabbages love nutrient-rich soil.
- Feed the need: Start the cabbage off right with an all-purpose vegetable fertilizer, then fertilize it every 10 days to keep it growing strong.
- Water wisely: The cabbage needs at least one inch of rainfall each week. If it doesn’t rain, use a watering can or garden hose to gently water the plant at

soil level.

- Tend to trouble: Keep weeds out of the cabbage patch — they compete for the food and water the cabbage needs. Be on the lookout for brown or white moths — these come from worms that love to munch on cabbage. If the grower sees any, they should get rid of them right away. Cold weather can damage the cabbage. If the weather gets below 32 degrees, cover the cabbage with a bucket or clothe covering.
- Hefty harvest: In just 10 to 12 weeks, the grower should have a huge head of cabbage he can be proud of.

Green thumbs and perseverance can pay off, providing participating children with as great sense of pride and accomplishment, a humongous cabbage and for the lucky state winner ... the beginning of an educational fund for college.

To see more 2013 winners and learn more about the 2014 contest, visit www.bonnieplants.com.

located in the classroom just off The Cafe and are free and open to the public.

If you are looking for something a bit more adventurous, Saturday morning, January 18, local pilot Mike Rinker is offering helicopter rides over Discovery Park for a \$20 donation to the Space Gallery. Helicopter flights are from 11:00 until 1:00 and are limited to the first 60 tickets purchased. Tickets are available now at the ticket counter at Discovery Park, or by calling 731-885-5455. At 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, Rinker will perform an aerial fly by and demonstration. In addition, Discovery Park is hosting a temporary space exhibit all month long in the ATA Traveling Exhibit Hall and is available at no additional charge. This display includes an authentic space suit, a real astronaut’s space glove, the tip of a Titan Rocket and a display of dehydrated space food. There are many other unique space objects and photographs and information about the United State’s space program and

NASA.

All children visiting Discovery Park during Space and Flight month will receive a free space coloring book and crayons or an airplane at the ticket counter.

Discovery Park of America is this nation’s newest attraction. It is located at 830 Everett Blvd., Union City, Tenn. For more information on Discovery Park, or Space and Flight month, visit www.discoveryparkofamerica.com or call 731-885-5455.

Another notorious vilian stays in LaCled

Submitted by Martha Campbell

This individual is probably considered one of the most famous “gangsters” from the prohibition era. He was born on July 18, 1895, to a wealthy family living in Memphis, Tenn. His early years as a child were essentially uneventful and his family raised him in a traditional household. His first sign of trouble began in 1917. He married at a young age, had two children and worked as a cab driver, but by age 19 was out of work and started a new venture as a bootlegger. From bootlegging his crime spree increased.

According to the FBI, this individual was the bank robber and kidnapping desperado who gave the federal agents their colorful nickname, G-Men. Just the sound of his name, conjures up memories of a by-gone era know as the Mid-West Crime Wave. Although the period itself lasted just a few short years, it left behind a legacy of personalities

that would be etched into the annual of American criminal history forever.

The participants of the Mid-West Crime Wave gave J. Edgar Hoover the impetus to propel his fledgling Bureau of Investigation, then a small division of the U. S. Justice Department, into today’s world-renowned Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The short crime-filled era produced such notorious luminaries as John Dillinger, “Pretty Boy” Floyd, “Baby Face” Nelson, Alvin “Creepy” Karpis, “Ma” Barker and the Barker Gang, Bonnie and Clyde, as well, as our LaCled guest.

Of the headliners of the Mid-West Crime Wave, this individual, has the shortest career and was the first to be put away. Fortunately for him, he was one of the few to survive.

It has been said that the Police Chief, here at the time, was a great big strong young man who was always getting into trouble. No one in town could do anything with him and so they finally decided to make him Chief of Police. It also happened that he was a rather personal friend to our mystery guest. How they became friends is not known. Could it be that they once ran whiskey together? We can only leave that to your

imagination. When the going got rough for our guest, he just crossed over into Kentucky and his old friend, now the Chief of Police, would hide him out at the LaCled.

This made residents of Hickman very nervous. Maybe residents were concerned when our mystery guest would always appear late in the evening carrying what appeared to be a violin case with the Police Chief escorting him in the back entrance of the hotel. It could also be that one or more of the citizens recognized him from the posters placed in the local post office. Citizens gathered in groups and you could hear the quiet whispers of their concerns about this dangerous young man hiding out in our community. Knowing how upset the people were about his old friend coming to stay, the Chief asked him to leave and he did, never to return.

Can you guess who our mystery guest was? One of his aliases was R. C. Shannon, although he was born George Barnes. The answer could be found in one of last year’s newspapers. The answer is “Machine Gun” Kelly.

(Facts concerning this individual was gather from his bio and the Crime Library)

Use space heaters safely

As the winter gets a little bit chillier-but perhaps not cold enough to run the central heat — space heaters in the rooms you use most might be all you need.

While most models are perfectly safe to operate, how you use them can mean the difference between a convenient appliance and the cause of a house fire.

Prevent a handy space heater from creating a disaster at your home by following a few simple precautions:

- If your space heater is old, check the cord for fraying or cracking and notice if it overheats.
- Consider replacing an older model with a new space heater. Most modern space heaters

come with anti-tipping devices and automatically shut themselves off in case they do tip over, which could prevent them from catching the carpet on fire.

- Check the news and the Consumer Product Safety Commission’s Web site (www.cpsc.gov) to keep up to date with recalls. Last winter, CPSC recalled one popular brand’s models after testing by Consumer Reports revealed that they were quick to catch fabric on fire.
- Even if your model is rated for safety, keep it at least three feet away from combustible materials like furniture, drapes, and beds.

- If you need to use an extension cord with your space heater, choose a heavy-duty one: at least 14-gauge wire.
- Keep the heater’s cord and the extension cord in plain sight. Tucked under carpets or furniture, they can over-heat or become damaged when people

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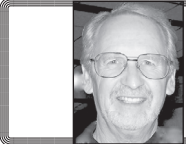
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Fulton Duplicate Bridge Club

Fulton Duplicate Bridge Club winners for Monday, Jan. 13 were as follows: Flight A — Betty Amberg and Freddie Oliver, first place, Bill Petrie and Jane Baker, second place, and Dianna Nerren and Jo Grissom, third place. Flight B — Dianna Nerren and Jo Grissom, first place, and Bertha Henry and Becky Bennett, second place.



Sports In Kentucky
For the Hickman Courier
By Bob Watkins

Kentucky has 15 games left in regular season, same for Western Kentucky. Louisville has 14. Mid-schedule impressions from here...

KENTUCKY. Halfway through their college careers,

John Calipari's one-and-donors, in light of preseason hype showered on them, have underachieved.

Game performance to match preseason No. 1 ranking? One. Defeated Louisville at Rupp



A FAMILY AFFAIR - Alex Barnett (center, #20) is a 2010 graduate of Fulton County High School. She was a standout on the Lady Pilots basketball team. In April 2010, she signed to play college basketball for Shawnee Community College for two years. She then transferred to Benedictine University in Springfield, Ill., majoring in Psychology. On Thursday, Jan. 9 Barnett and her team, the Lady Bulldogs, played the Mid-Continent Lady Cougars at Mayfield High School. Making the trip to watch Barnett were (back row, l to r) Chris Allen, Aletha Allen, Letitia Caldwell, Bernita Cheirs, and Aaron King; and (front row, l to r) Rez Westbrook, Barnett, Zola Cheirs, and Marilyn Westbrook. **ON DEFENSE** - (Below) Barnett, left, is ready on defense against the Mid-Continent ballhandler during action last Thursday. The game was tied at 38 at half-time. Mid-Continent pulled out the victory by 5, 85-80. (Photos by Charlotte Smith.)



Arena. Michigan State and North Carolina aside, Kentucky played a bevy of lightweights, endured something called Camp Cal and at mid-January UK is still learning to be a team.

LOUISVILLE. Preseason, the defending champion Cardinals were a top 5 ranked team. Starter Chane Behanan was sent packing and Cards lost at home to Memphis. And preseason hype as college player of the year status for Russ Smith has evaporated. Cards have underachieved.

WESTERN KENTUCKY. Ray Harper's Hilltoppers are still searching for consistency. Good wins over Southern Miss and Murray State, but should have beaten Ole Miss and Georgia State.

TODD STEWART AS ALEX HAMILTON
Kudos to Western Kentucky University's equivalent of Alexander Hamilton handling money with vision and aplomb. Director of athletics Todd Stewart's rent-a-coach strategy with Bob Petrino did these things:

- ✓ WKU athletics collects \$1.2 million from Petrino.
 - ✓ A home-and-home series. Since Louisville likely will not honor this clause, but will pay a buy-out fee. Stewart will stuff another five-figure check into Hilltopper coffers.
 - ✓ Coach-in-waiting Jeff Brohm comes at half the Petrino (inflated) price, \$600,000 a year through 2019 with a \$1.5 million buyout that decreases each year.
 - ✓ For continuity, the Brohm hiring keeps recruits on board until signing day, February 5.
 - Only snafu in all this: No Hilltopper fan mentioned that Petrino coached the Hilltoppers to an 8-4 record with Willie Taggart's players.
- BOB PETRINO**
Poster boy for what's wrong with college football. Six-time job jumper, Petrino's behaviors along the way demonstrate a career ruthlessly about himself.

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Lady Pilots drop close games

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent
The Fulton County Lady Pilots search for their first win of this rebuilding season will continue, after two close games this past week.

Coach Leonard Smith's team battled in a back-and-forth 42-38 district loss to Fulton City, then fell in a home game Saturday night to South Fulton 44-36.

The Lady Pilot's are now (0-7) overall and (0-2) in district play.

Fulton City 42
Fulton County 38
(at Fulton City)

The district battle between the cross county rivals played out until the final seconds, with multiple lead changes over the four quarters.

After playing to a 16-16 score at halftime, the second half would prove to be a roller coaster of excitement for fans of both teams.

The Lady Pilots took the biggest lead of the third quarter, 22-19 with 1:33 on the clock, when Leah Weatherly connected on one-of-two free throws.

Fulton City would then counter with a shot at the end of the period by Mynia Hobbs, which sent the game into the fourth quarter with a 24-23 Fulton County lead.

The widest margin in the game for the Lady Pilots came with 4:29 to play, when Lucy Kimble's shot from the charity stripe gave Fulton County a four point, 31-27 edge.

The Lady Bulldogs then countered and got their biggest play of the night from Hobbs, who scored on an old fashioned three point play with :20 remaining for a 40-38 lead they would not relinquish.

Following the game, Coach Leonard Smith said the team's loss came at the free throw line.

"We made 9-of-23 free throws and lost by four. I think this says it all," said the coach. "We gave it all we had and the girls played hard. Tough loss is all I can say."

Fulton County was led in scoring on the night by Lucy Kimble with 10 points, followed by Leslie Beth Jackson's 9 points.

Delraysha Alexander had

7, Anna-Gregory Grissom 6, Leah Weatherly 4 and Alexis Dickson 2.

The Lady Bulldogs Markeshia Dickerson led all scorers with 23 points.

South Fulton 44
Fulton County 36
(at Hickman)

Despite a strong first half, and the best night of free throw shooting for the Lady Pilots this season, South Fulton was able to pull away for the win on the road.

Fulton County took a 10-8 first quarter lead, but the Lady Red Devils mounted a second quarter

13-7 scoring run to lead at half-time 21-17.

The Tennesseans again outscored the Lady Pilots 17-9 in the third quarter to take a 12-point advantage 38-26.

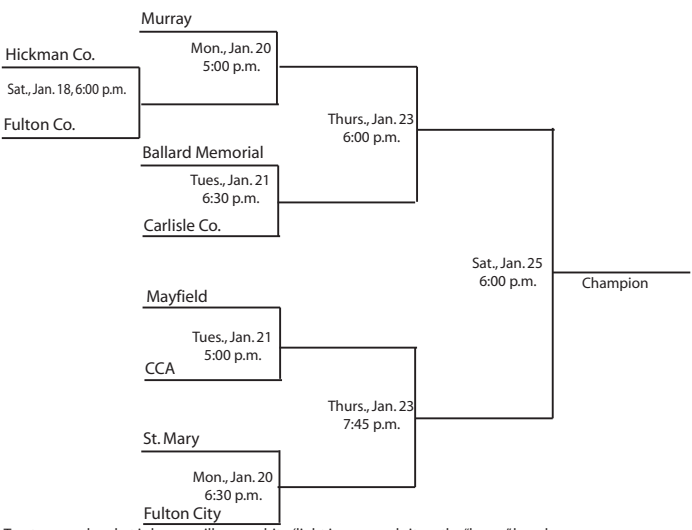
Coach Leonard Smith's team attempted a comeback in the final minutes, but could get no closer than the final score.

Following the game, Coach Smith said he was pleased with the effort.

"It may not show in the win and loss record, but we are im-

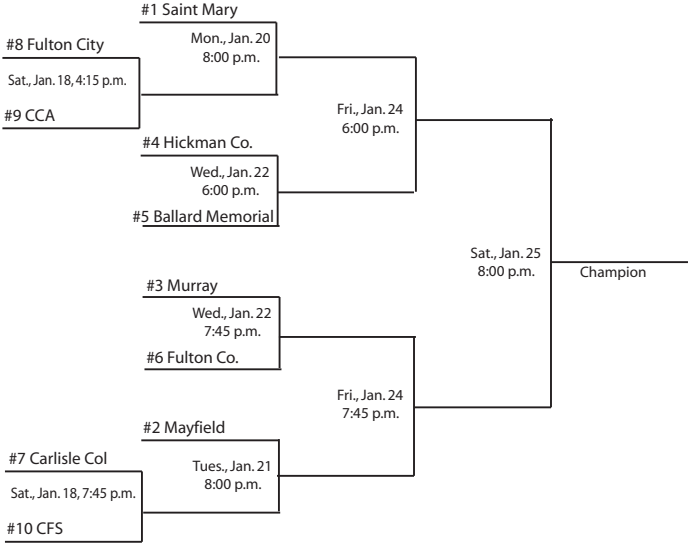
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January 18, 20-25, 2014
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Obituaries

Daubrey Lawrence

Mr. Daubrey O'Neal Lawrence, 54, a resident of Hickman, Ky., died January 11, 2014, at his home.

He was a former employee of a barge line and a member of the Sassafras Ridge Baptist Church.

Survivors include his father, Bill Lawrence of Union City, Tenn.; his wife, Georgia Law-

rence of Hickman; two sons, Daubrey and Billy Lawrence; two daughters, April and June Lawrence; one step-daughter, Elneda Blackburn; five brothers; and one step-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Strong Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Louise Curlin

Mrs. Louise Curlin, 93, a resident of Clarksville, Tenn., formerly of Hickman, Ky., died January 10, 2014 at her daughter's residence in Clarksville.

Born April 13, 1914, in Fulton County, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Hugh and Lola (Jenkins) Chambers. She was a homemaker and of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include one son, James A. Curlin, Jr. of Union City, Tenn.; one daughter, Louisa Wooten of Clarksville; two sisters, Edna Earl Roper of

Hickman and Nilla Chambers of Memphis, Tenn.; and four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Her husband, James A. Curlin, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held January 14, at Strong Funeral Home with Rev. Henry Callison officiating. Burial followed in Hickman City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jeremy Edwards, Randal Brunner, Bill Curlin, Bobby Curlin, Nick Wooten, Robert Skidmore and James Alton Curlin.

Paul Lee Williams

Paul Lee Williams, 59, a resident of Hickman, Ky., died January 8, 2014 at his residence.

Born October 8, 1954, he was the son of Virginia Williams of Hickman and the late Elmer Williams. Paul was a self-employed farmer and a member of the West Baptist Church in Hickman. He was a member of the Hickman Masonic Lodge 131.

Survivors, in addition to his mother, include his wife, Carol Williams of Hickman; one son, Justin Williams of Bardwell,

Ky.; two daughters, DeeAnn Wright of Rives, Tenn., and Rachel Costello of Hickman; four sisters, Janice Schechter of Murray, Ky., Tamara Sams of Water Valley, Ky., Lori Owens of Owensboro, Ky. and Sandra Guess of Hickman; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held January 12, at Strong Funeral Home with the Revs. Don Wann, Robert Johnson and Jason Sipes officiating. Burial followed in Hickman City Cemetery.

James D. (Sam) Weatherly

Mr. James D. "Sam" Weatherly, 81, a resident of the Sassafras Ridge community of Fulton Co., Ky., died January 11, 2014 at his residence.

Born April 8, 1932, he was the son of the late Jack and Beulah Weatherly. He was a member of the Sassafras Ridge Baptist Church, where he served as a Deacon, and was a former song leader and Sunday School teacher. He was a retired farmer and former vice chairman of the Fulton County Board of Education.

Survivors include his wife, Doris (Herane) Weatherly of Sassafras Ridge community; one son, David Weatherly of Hickman; three daughters, Virginia Stanford of Lakeland, Tenn., Myrna Parks of Hickman and Sherry Darnell of Tiptonville, Tenn.; one brother, Raybon (Pete) Weatherly of Troy, Tenn.; two sisters, Thelma (Dolly) Wilkerson of Fulton, Ky. and Barbara Blanton of Hickman; eight grandchildren, Kristy Prince, Jamie Thetford, Wendy Vincent, Shaun Parks, Kim Thompson, Joseph Suma-

ra, Maegan Weatherly and Leah Weatherly; and ten great-grandchildren, Chelsea Williams, Emily Biggers, Madalyn Williams, John Cameron Williams, Kirstie Thetford, Hayden Thetford, Taylor Ervin, Ethan Ervin, Sydney Vincent and Bennett Thompson.

Two brothers, Raymond (Tutty) Weatherly and Bobby Joe Weatherly; three sisters, Dorothy Simmons, Opal Oatsvall and Helen Sue (Nancy) Jackson; one grandchild, Laura Kate Weatherly; and one great-grandchild, Colby Gallimore, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held January 13, at Strong Funeral Home with Revs. Charles Southerland and Robert Johnson officiating. Burial followed in Hickman City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jamie Thetford, Shaun Parks, Joseph Sumara, John Cameron Williams, Ethan Ervin, and Daniel Williams.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Sassafras Ridge Baptist Church, P.O. Box 101, Hickman, KY 42050.

Robert E. Pair, 86, a resident of Maryville, Tenn., formerly of Hickman, Ky., died January 7, 2014 at Fort Sanders Hospital in Knoxville, Tenn.

Born May 16, 1927 in Bondurant, Ky., he was the son of the late Arval and Idyle (McMannus) Pair. He was retired from the former Goodyear Tire & Rubber Plant in Union City, Tenn., was a member of the River Oaks Community Church in Maryville and a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include his one son, Bob (Jill) Pair of Maryville; one daughter, Sherry (Doug) Wilson of Springfield, Mo.; one sister, Gloria Jean Choate of Bardwell, Ky.; six grandchildren, Beth Wilson Engelhart, Jay Wilson, Jennifer Wilson, Hannah Pair Duncan, Lydia Pair and Abigail Pair; and nine great-grandchil-

Robert E. Pair

dren, Carley Beth Engelhart, Morgan Engelhart, Cooper Engelhart, Payden Wilson, Landon Wilson, Brysen Wilson, Kylie Wilson, Aryara Givens and Gideon Duncan.

His wife, Mary Elizabeth Pair, one brother, Richard Pair, and two sisters, Floella Pair and Sang Baker, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held January 11, at the First United Methodist Church in Hickman with Rev. Henry Callison officiating. Burial followed in Hickman City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were David Thomas, Terry Choate, Jeff Engelhart, Tim Givens, Jay Wilson, Tim Roney and Luke Duncan.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to River Oaks Community Church, 1220 Brown Rd. Maryville, TN 37803.

Fulton Co. Sheriff's Department News

The Fulton County Sheriff's Department reports these arrests and citations for Tuesday, Jan. 7 through Friday, Jan. 10:

Tuesday, Jan. 7:

- Demarquis Young of Fulton, Ky., black male, arrested, bench warrant assault 4th degree; bench warrant criminal mischief 3rd degree, bench warrant menacing.
- John D. Pirtle of Water Valley, Ky., white male, citation, speeding 69/55 mph zone, failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance.
- Donna J. Crowell of Hickman, Ky., white female, citation, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, residents not to use license of other states, failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation, improper plate.
- Donna J. Crowell of Hickman, white female, arrested, fugitive from another state.
- Thomas Moore of Arlington,

Ky., white male, citation, speeding 73/55 mph zone, failure of owner to maintain required insurance 1st offense.

Wednesday, Jan. 8:

- Christopher G. Williams of Union City, Tenn., white male, arrested, bench warrant failure to appear (Franklin County).

Thursday, Jan. 9:

- Daniel E. Bell of Princeton, Ky., white male, arrested, failure to appear.
- Sabrina O. Esters of Hickman, black female, citation, speeding 69/55 mph zone, failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance, 2nd offense.

Friday, Jan. 10:

- Charyl A. Craddock of Hickman, white female, citation, speeding 83/55 mph zone, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, 1st offense.
- Tina E. Kanady of Hickman, white female, citation, speeding 72/55 mph zone.
- Bobby J. Madding of Union City, white male, arrested, failure to appear.

• Demarcus Freeman of Hickman, black male, arrested, failure to appear, non-support (child support).

• Kevon Pierce of Hickman, black male, arrested, assault – 4th degree (domestic violence), operating on suspended/revoked operators license.

• Cedric Lockett of Fulton, black male, arrested, drug paraphernalia – buy/possession, leaving the scene of accident – failure to render aid, possession of marijuana, and possession of open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle prohibited.

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numbers like the local number for Fulton County Dispatch. Of course, 911 will be unaffected and will still be the number that residence will use when reaching the emergency dispatch center, KSP Post 1, as it always has been.

"It is crucial that the public knows to dial (270) 236-3015 when calling Fulton County Dispatch (FCD) directly," stated Robert Griggs, FCD Supervisor. "Potentially valuable time will be saved by dialing the entire number with area code when 10

digit dialing is mandated. Emergency assistance is also available by dialing 911 as well."

"With mandatory 10-digit dialing just a few weeks away, it makes sense to get into the habit of using the new dialing pattern," stated PSC Chairman David Armstrong.

The permissive dialing period allows customers to get used to the new dialing pattern and permits telecommunication providers to prepare and test equipment in advance of the establishment of the new area code.

Levee

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supplement the levee's revenue except for the minimal reimbursements they receive from the Army Corps of Engineers to run the pump station. Their only revenue is the taxes they collect, which doesn't even cover the cost to mow the levee.

The expense to mow the levee twice a year is approximately \$12,000. Currently Steve Preuett is under contract through 2014 to keep the levee mowed to their specifications.

Levee Board President David Weatherly, Vice President Mark Williams, Secretary/Treasurer Jim Major and Commissioner Doug Voorhees and Larry Langford are exploring alternative

ways to maintain the levee without having to subsidize the expense of mowing it.

Another major expense is the yearly trip to attend the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association's meeting in New Orleans. The cost for all five members and their spouses to attend the December 2013 meeting was \$13,900. While in New Orleans levee board members meet with members of other levee districts from the Mississippi Valley, hear presentations from U.S. Congressmen, Senators, ranking commanders from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Assistant Secretary of the Army.

• Justin Tyler Jones - Assault 4th Degree, Domestic Violence, 3rd Offense within 5 years

• Richard Anthony Southerland - Assault, 4th Degree, Domestic Violence, 3rd Offense within 5 years; Assault, 4th Degree; Burglary, 3rd Degree; Criminal Mischief, 3rd Degree; Terroristic Threatening, 3rd Degree - 3 Counts

• Amy Lynn Spence - Theft of Identity and Persistent Felony Offender, 2nd Degree

• William P. Pucket - Driving on DUI Suspended License, 3rd Offense; Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence, 4th Offense; Fleeing and Evading Police, 1st Degree; and Wanton Endangerment, 1st Degree, Police Officer

• Jerome Johnson - Assault, 2nd Degree, Domestic Violence and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree

• Vicky Smith - Burglary in the 2nd Degree and Theft by Unlawful Taking, \$500 or more but Under \$10,000

• Responded to a call on Union City Hwy.

• Responded to a call on Harrison St.

• Traffic stop at Coffey's Construction.

• Traffic stop on 7th St.

• Traffic stop on Broadway St.

• Traffic stop on Union City Hwy.

• Responded to a 911 hang up on Ivey St.

Friday, Jan 10:

- Assisted Tri-City EMS on a call on Broadway St.
- Responded to a commercial alarm on Union St.
- Traffic stop on 7th St.

Saturday, Jan 11:

- Responded to noise complaint on 7th St.
- Worked special detail – city sticker check: Lori Walden cited for no city sticker; Justin Swift cited for no city sticker; Raina Buchanan cited no city sticker; Felisha Floyd cited for no city sticker; Jeff Jones cited for no city sticker.

• Responded to a call at Indian Hills.

• Responded to report of a gas drive off at Little General.

• Responded to a call at Holly Ct.

• Responded to a 911 hang up on Ivey St.

• Responded to a call at Holly Ct.

• Responded to a possible fight in progress on Holly St.

• Responded to a noise complaint on Holly Ct.

Grand Jury

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• Kevin Stowe - Burglary in the 2nd Degree and Theft by Unlawful Taking, \$500 or more but Under \$10,000

• Lisa Terry - Burglary in the 2nd Degree and Theft by Unlawful Taking, \$500 or more but Under \$10,000

• Stacy Leigh Williams - Fraudulent Use of Credit Card \$500<\$100,000; Misuse of Electronic Information, Fund Transfer; Unlawful Access of Computer Information; and Theft By Unlawful Taking, \$500 but Under \$10,000

• Phillip Wayne Burton - Robbery, 2nd Degree; Failure to Comply W/Sex Offender Registration; and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree

• Marketus Hubbard - Flagrant Non-Support and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree



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Facilities with hazardous substance(s) of 10,000 lbs. or more are required to submit material safety data sheets (one time a year); each March 1 Tier II and user fees. Facilities with extremely hazardous substance(s) above threshold planning quantity, are required to submit MSDS sheet (one time a year); each March 1 submit Tier II reports, user fees and update the facility response plan.

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Bluff Briefs

Nutritional and Physical Forum will be January 16

The Fulton County Schools will have a Nutritional and Physical Activity Report Card Forum on January 16, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Fulton County Board of Education meeting. Everyone welcome.

American Legion to meet

The American Legion Post #57 will meet Thursday, Jan. 16, at 6 p.m.

Commodities distributed to Fulton County Senior Citizens

The Ken-Tenn Foodbank will be distributing commodities to Fulton County Seniors living in poverty Friday, Jan. 17, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. for residents of Fulton. Those Seniors living in Hickman will be distributed commodities from the 1st UMC in Hickman across from the County Courthouse between 11:30 a.m. and Noon Friday, Jan. 17. Distribution to Fulton County households living in poverty {TEFAP} will be made Friday, Jan. 24, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. from the Foodbank in Fulton. Poverty is defined as having income of less than \$1244 per month or \$288 per wk.

4-H Shooting Sports looking for coach

Would you like to become a certified 4-H Shooting Sports Coach? If so, please attend an informational meeting on January 21 at 5 p.m. at the Fulton Co Extension Office. We are looking for committed adults who love working with youth agents 9-18 and who are willing to share their skills and knowledge. A Shooting Sports Certification workshop will be held March 7-9 in Jabez, Ky. If interested must complete and pass 4-H background check, all required paperwork, and follow 4-H rules and guidelines.

Fulton County Weather Spotter Webinar Class

Fulton County Emergency Management will host a weather spotter webinar class Monday, Feb. 3. The class will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Fulton County Fiscal Courtroom in Hickman. The public is invited and urged to attend. Seating is limited, so please contact Hugh Caldwell at 270-236-3480 or email at fcoem@bellsouth.net if you plan to attend.

First Church of God Lock-in

The First Church of God will have a lock-in on Friday, Jan. 17, starting at 8:00 p.m. A permission slip, signed by parents, must be submitted in case of an emergency.

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Monday, February 17, 2014
Monday, March 17, 2014
Monday, April 14, 2014
Monday, May 12, 2014
Monday, June 16, 2014
Monday, July 14, 2014
Monday, August 11, 2014
Monday, September 15, 2014
Monday, October 13, 2014
Monday, November 17, 2014
Monday, December 15, 2014



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Athletes of the Week - The Fulton County Booster Club has announced that Stephen Houston (left) and Leah Weatherly (right) are the Pilot "Athletes of the Week". Steven is a Junior and a member of the boys basketball team. Leah is a Freshman and a member of the girls basketball and track teams. (Photo by Barbara Atwill)



Congratulations



GOOD FOR TWO - Dapheus Allen, a Jr. Pilot on the 7th grade boys team, elevates into the air as he sends the ball through the hoop. The Jr. Pilots fell to the Jr. Falcons on Monday night, Jan. 13 11-44 in the 7th grade match up. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)



GOING FOR IT - Jocelyn Mosely, #15, for the Jr. Lady Pilots is ready to go for the ball against the Jr. Lady Falcon ball handler during district action on Monday night, Jan. 13 in Hickman. The Jr. Lady Pilots defeated the ladies in red 40-33. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Jr. Lady Pilots and Jr. Pilots host Hickman County

BLOCK ATTEMPT - (At left) Middle school Lady Pilot players Alaya Barnett and Jada Beth Mathews (20) try to get to Hickman County's Alexis Burpo (12) to stop her shot. Fulton County returned to the floor on Monday night, Jan. 13 after a long break, and posted a 40-33 win in the girls game, but lost to the Jr. Falcons 36-21 in the boys game on their home court. The next game is scheduled away at Halls on Thursday, Jan. 16 and again at Fulton City on Monday, Jan. 20. (Photo by Charles Choate.)



JOB OPENING

The City of Hickman has a job opening for a full-time:

Utility Worker - Public Works

Job Description: Under the direction of a supervisor be able to perform the construction, maintenance and repair water, sewer, and gas services. Employees within this title shall perform a full range of duties as assigned at this level.

Requirements:

- Must be 18 years of age
- Must have a GED or an equivalent
- Possession of a valid driver's license
- Possession of Social Security card

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Court

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Kentucky because they have expanded Medicaid."

Eubanks did explain that people 19 to 64 years of age who were not eligible for Medicaid will possibly become eligible for it or will receive some type of assistance to help them get insured.

According to Eubanks there are potentially 300,000 people in the eight-county region who are in the poverty level and could receive some tax incentives with regard to Kynect.

"We have assisted 839 people in this eight-county region since October, signing them up for either Medicaid or assisting them with becoming insured," added Eubanks. "With approximately 80 to 85% of them eligible for Medicaid."

It was also stated that there will be a hug price tag associated with Kynect.

Governor Steve Beshear has made it known that he plans on utilizing tax reform and expanded gaming to foot the bill. Judge Executive/Gallagher is not convinced that either will be able to cover the cost. He sees a possible 1% tax increase in Kentucky's future.

"They say it could be a one time bonus for veterans and go to education," added Judge Executive/Gallagher. "Once it goes to the general fund, it's anybody's guess."

The Court did agree to find a location in both ends of the county for Eubanks and Luther to meet with individuals who would like assistance with their health care coverage. To schedule an appointment or to ask questions, call Luther at (270) 727-0395.

The Court also discussed a proposal from Fulton County Emergency Management Director Hugh Caldwell for an upgrade to the Fulton County Dispatch Radio system. "The system has been in place for about seven years and is in need of an upgrade," stated Caldwell. "The cost of the upgrade to radios and pagers needing repairs is about \$14,000." The Fiscal Court agreed to submit the proposal to 911 for possible reimbursement before proceeding with the upgrades.

Fonda Swain updated the Court regarding a matter of approximately \$2,200 and four

county employees. "One employee has been following through with our agreement," stated Swain. "The other three have not." The Court agreed to authorize Judge/Executive Gallagher to proceed with small claims court proceedings if they do not pay back the funds that were inadvertently paid out to them.

Other business matters approved by the Court include the following:

- Approve second reading of Fulton County Budget Amendment 01-13/14
- Board Appointments - Fulton County Extension - LaVonda Johnson and Lynn Busby
- Fulton County Clerk's Salary Order - Calendar Year 2014 with a 1 1/2% increase
- Fulton County Clerk Excess Fees in the amount of \$12,173.07

An executive session, lasting approximately one hour, was held to discuss a personnel matter.

The Court adjourned at 10:48 a.m. They are slated to reconvene in regular session on Monday, Feb. 17 at 9 a.m.

Ducks

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the duck hunters to take refuge in the water. The other duck hunter was able to stabilize the hunter in the water.

He summoned another duck hunter who assisted in bringing the duck hunter from the water to safety. This was not before the duck hunter spent approximately 25 minutes in the water and then another 20 minutes in the cold, while wet.

Both hunters sustained minor burns, but did not seek medical attention. Neither one received any life threatening injuries. No one drowned.

"The incident was reported to our office approximately 12 hours after it occurred," stated Sgt. Clark. "It is currently under investigation by Greg Youree, the investigating officer."

Sgt. Clark reminds everyone to follow duck hunter safety precautions. "If you take a heater with you when the temperatures are cold, make sure you keep

flammable items a safe distance away," he said. "Things like grass, cloth and other items commonly used in duck blinds can go up in flames quickly."

Keeping a life jacket or a personal flotation device in your boat does not do you any good sitting in the boat. "Make sure you always wear your life jacket or a float coat," Sgt. Clark added.

Other safety tips for duck hunting and firearms include:

- Watch the impending weather before you go duck hunting in case bad weather is coming, calm waves can become treacherous quickly if the wind picks up
- Inform a family member or friend of your hunting location and your expected time of arrival so they know where and when to look for you if you do not return
- Do not over load your boat. Adding decoys, a dog and

people, could possibly over load it.

- Stock your boat with life saving gear like a warm, dry blanket and a water proof lighter or matches in case you need to start a fire to warm up
- At the beginning of the hunting season always have your boat and motor serviced to make sure it is in good working condition
- Always carry a cell phone in a waterproof bag so you can call 911
- Anytime you hunt with a firearm, always treat it as though it was loaded and keep it pointed away from you and others
- Always check your firearm for obstruction in the muzzle

"It was a good thing that the two hunters were together," Sgt. Clark said. "They were able to assist each other. It is important to never hunt by yourself."



Cameron Michael Fuller
November 6, 2012
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(Sheehan) Fuller



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in our January 30, 2014 issue

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Hickman City Manager continues to work on Terrace Drive Project

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Hickman City Manager Johnny McTurner informed the Commission on Monday night that they are slowly making progress on the Terrace Drive project. “The scope of the project has now been increased in cost from \$60,000 to approximately \$300,000,” McTurner said on January 13. “I am working with FEMA and they have rewritten the entire scope of this project. We are still waiting for them to finalize it. The hope is that the project will be completed some time this year.

The city’s finances have been progressing into a positive direction. Something that could have a damage affect on this progress is the Affordable Care Act, (Obamacare). Commissioner Charles Choate asked McTurner to contact Congressman Ed Whitfield’s office regarding a house bill which could determine whether cities, small and large, will be required to insure volunteer fire fighters. “Cities and municipalities who use volunteer fire fighters may be require to provide health insurance or pay a penalty,” stated Commissioner Choate.

“It would cripple us if it were to happen,” agreed Mayor David Lattus.

The Commission agreed to pay a Tri-State Gas invoice for \$6,850, the cost for the installation of a new gas meter at SGL. Approval was granted to borrow \$7,000 against the gas Certificate of Deposit to cover this expense.

The City recently lost two employees. The Commission approved the resignations of Police Officer Chase Jones and Public Works employee James Matthew Powell.

Fire Chief Tommy Ramsey provided an update stating that the department is now at 64% certified. “We should receive our state aid again come December or next January,” added Ramsey. “We are also working with Public

Works to perform maintenance on our fire trucks that need to be serviced.

“We got through the big freeze with no major busted lines,” stated Public Works Director Mike Hartigan. “We made 1,900 gallons of brine. We still have 2/3 of our second salt batch. So we are ready for the next winter storm.”

An exeutive session was held to discuss personnel and a business proposition. They adjourned at 9:45 p.m. after moving Ryan Amberg rom part-time police officer to full-time. They are also seeking a qualified employee for public works.

NOTICE

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Ann Thomas

Sports

Track record says: Former players, colleges and Tom Jurich are, at some point, expendable.

A Sports Illustrated headline: Louisville shows it has no shame in bringing back Bobby Petrino.

“Bobby Petrino is exactly the kind of mercenary (who) further blurs the line between college and professional sports,” SI’s Stewart Mandel wrote.

And this: “Tom Jurich, who, when Petrino was his head coach 2003-06, watched him openly flirt with multiple NFL and college suitors, then gave him a staggering 10-year contract extension to regain his commitment, only to have Petrino bolt for the Atlanta Falcons six months later.”

Jurich’s rush to re-hire Petrino last week without so much as forming a search committee, was more about demonstrating his own power and influence at UoFL. Still to come, media tossing bouquets to the Ohio River Gambler.

Business is business.

FAN REAX TO PETRINO

These gems.

✓ Before Bob Petrino jumped his contract with Western Kentucky, a reader wrote: “Bobby Petrino back to Louisville? That would be like Hal Mumme coming back to Kentucky.”

✓ “If (Tom) Jurich hires Petrino again, will UoFL boosters buy him a new Harley-Davidson motorcycle to go with the other perks?”

“And, how long before Petrino looks for another job? One year? Or, when Florida fires Will Muschamp after next season?”

✓ “When my brother Fred informed me that Charlie Strong was going to Texas, my reply was if Sam Houston had not left Tennessee and gone to Texas, we might be wearing sombreros and watching bull fights. (So) I’m okay with Bobby Petrino.”

DAKICH AND UK

Dan Dakich needs to change the subject. The former IU player turned ESPN analyst (and a good one) accused John Calipari of being afraid to play the Hoosiers at Assembly Hall in Bloomington. My hunch is Kentucky’s coach doesn’t want to play at IU because of how Hoosier fans treated Darius Miller after Christian Watford’s winning shot in 2010. With no security in place, Miller was virtually trampled as fans swarmed the IU bench area in celebration.

NEW RUPP ARENA

Details being discussed for the new Rupp Arena are innovative and exciting. Big Blue VIPs who grumble because UoFL has boxes and suites for the privileged “and we don’t,” must have cringed when a spokesperson for the project told the Lexington Herald-Leader the other day that VIP boxes and luxury suites are less a hot item these days. “They (VIPs) want to sit with everyone else and still be part of the bowl experience,” Jay Issacs said.

UK RECRUITING

For most of three Carlton Bragg, a 6-9 junior at Villa Angela St. Joseph in Ohio, used media to lobby Kentucky for a scholarship offer. He got it last week. Bragg’s reaction was like a kid collecting offers like baseball cards. “Finally got that Kentucky offer,” he tweeted.

WORTH REPEATING DEPT.

From a WKU fan, “I’m reading a good book on the Summer of 1927 by Bill Bryson. Was a big year – (Charles) Lindbergh; and Babe Ruth hit 60 (homer runs). ... Fascinating little factoid about the Yankees. At one time they were known as the Hilltoppers.”

Comment: 1903-1912, the New York baseball team played at Hilltop Park.

Newspaper editors wanted a shorter name for headlines. When the franchise moved to the Polo Grounds in 1913, it officially changed to New York Yankees.

PARTING SHOT

Poor beleaguered Alex Rodriquez. Going to be a long road to redemption, but one day a sports media guy will get a tear in his eye then tender an adjective-rich piece to his editor extolling the virtue of a changed man, Bobby Petrino. Oops, I mean Alex Rodriquez.

And so it goes.

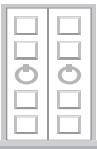
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The proposed changes to the DSM/EE program portfolio, if approved, will result in an increase in the charges calculated under the DSMCRM mechanism. The increase charges for all affected electric rate classes are as follows:

Residential Service Rate RS, Volunteer Fire Department Service Rate VFD, and Low Emission Vehicle Service Rate LEV			
Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00349	\$ 0.00378	+ \$ 0.00029	+ 8.3%

General Service Rate GS			
Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00238	\$ 0.00222	- \$ 0.00016	- 6.7%

All Electric School Rate AES			
Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00088	\$ 0.00101	+ \$ 0.00013	+ 14.7%

Power Service Rate PS, Time-of-Day Secondary Service Rate TODS, and Time-of-Day Primary Service Rate TODP			
Current Charge per kWh	Proposed Charge per kWh	Difference per kWh	% Change
\$ 0.00067	\$ 0.00069	+ \$ 0.00002	+ 3.0%

KU projects that the monthly bill impact of the new DSM/EE programs and program enhancements will be an increase of \$0.29 per month for a KU residential electric customer using 1,000 kWh per month.

This tariff filing may be examined at the office of Kentucky Utilities Company, One Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, or on Kentucky Utilities Company's website at www.lge-ku.com.

This tariff filing may also be examined at the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Commission's website at <http://psc.ky.gov>.

Comments regarding this tariff filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

The proposed changes to the DSM/EE program portfolio and associated increase in the charges calculated under the DSMCRM mechanism contained in this notice are proposed by Kentucky Utilities Company. The Public Service Commission may order changes to KU's proposed DSM/EE program portfolio that may result in charges under the DSMCRM mechanism that differ from the proposed charges contained in this notice.

A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of the notice, the Commission may take final action on the tariff filing.

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STATEMENT TO PUBLIC

The City of Hickman has completed their June 30, 2013 Audit. The Complete Auditor’s Report, including financial statements and supplemental information, are on file at City Hall, 1812 So 7th Street, Hickman, Kentucky, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Available to the public is the Complete Auditor’s Report copies of \$0.25 per page.

Copies of the financial statement prepared in accordance with KRS 424.220 are available to the public or inspection at no cost at the business address of the officer responsible for preparation of the statement.

Donna Haney
City Clerk
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January 13, 2014

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Independent Auditor’s Report

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Hickman, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City’s basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Hickman, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the management’s discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statement, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

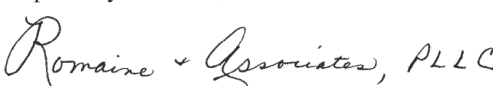
Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Hickman, Kentucky’s basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 18, 2013, on our consideration of the City of Hickman, Kentucky’s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering City of Hickman, Kentucky’s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,


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GET THE BALL - Fulton County's Anna-Gregory Grissom (r) and Fulton City's Mynia Hobbs (l) go to the floor for a loose ball, during their district game at Fulton last week. The two teams played a back-and-forth basketball for four quarters, with the Lady Bulldogs winning 42-38. Watching the play is Fulton City's Markeshia Dickerson (21) and Fulton County's Leslie Beth Jackson. (Photo by Charles Choate.)



TOUGH FOUL - Delraysha Alexander draws a blocking foul from Lady Bulldog player Mynia Hobbs (20) on this baseline play. Alexander scored seven points in the game for Fulton County, but it was Fulton City that took the 42-38 district win at home. (Photo by Charles Choate.)



TOUGH JUMPER - The Pilots Joe Holman (5) soars above a host of other players to sink this one handed jump shot at Fulton City last week. Holman scored the first five points of the game, and finished with 16, as Fulton County posted a 66-58 district win over Fulton City. (Photo by Charles Choate.)

District drought ends with Pilots win

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent

Fulton County picked up their third win of the year, and their

first in district play, as they beat Fulton City 66-58 on the road.

The Pilots win came mostly in part due to a 17 point halftime lead, and the double digit scoring of three team players.

"This was big for us," said Coach Mitchell Williamson after the game. "This is the first time in two years that we have won a game in district play. The guys really played well early, but got a little comfortable in the second half. Regardless, this still means the world to us."

The Pilots never trailed in the game, with sophomore Joe Holman starting play with five straight points.

The first quarter ended with Fulton County holding a 25-10 lead, closed out by a thunderous baseline dunk by



TRIPLE THREAT - These Fulton County players posted double digit scoring against the Fulton City Bulldogs, leading the Pilots to a 66-58 win. Davis Major (20) posted 10 points, Steven Roberson (21) led the team with 23 points, and Joe Holman (5) finished with 16. The win was the third of the season for the Pilots, who are now (1-1) in the First District. (Photo by Charles Choate.)

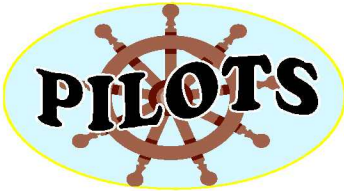
Lady Pilots

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proving as a team," said the coach about his young squad. "We really played well in the first half, but we have got to play all four quarters. We do not have a deep bench, so we're asking for alot of minutes from the players. You know, we are just trying to get better and I think we are."

Lucy Kimble and Kylira Williams each scored 9 points, with Leslie Beth Jackson and Justus Wilson 5 each, and Anna-Gregory Grissom and Delraysha Alexander 4 points apiece.

South Fulton's Landry Webster led all scorers with 14.



Steven Roberson.

The second quarter offensive fury for the Pilots continued, as the biggest lead of the game, 31-12, came on a Roberson putback with 4:27 before halftime.

The game would change dramatically in the second half, following the Pilots 41-24 halftime advantage.

Fulton City took advantage of nine Pilot turnovers in the third quarter to mount a 12-5 run that cut the game to 46-36 on a Michael Thomas lay-up.

The Bulldogs would close the gap even further in the fourth quarter, when a shot by Blake Roach at the 6:11 mark brought Fulton City to within six points, 54-48.

Following the Fulton City run, Coach Williamson's team was able to hold a 12-10 scoring edge down the stretch to win.

Steven Roberson led the Pilots with 23 points, with Joe Holman adding 16 and Davis Major 10.

Octavious Smith added 8, Steven Houston 5, Devontae Hampton 2 and Austin Matheny and Aaron Allen each with one point.

Fulton City's Blake Roach led all scorers in the game with 30 points.

Spirit

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Pressure Clinic, 11:30 Bingo.

Bingo is played Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week! (25¢ a card) on these days immediately following lunch at 11:30 Bingo winners were on Wednesday, Jan. 8, Idella Turner, Roberta Duncan, Suzanne Hurley and Helen Drewry, coverall; Friday, Jan. 10, Mary Helen McCauley, Suzanne Hurley, and James Griffith, coverall.

The following items with be served at the Senior Center next week:

Monday, Jan. 20
Center Closed
Tuesday, Jan. 21

Turkey tetrazzini, layered green salad, bran muffin, caramel apples, peanuts, and skim milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 22

Hamburger on bun, tomato, lettuce, onion, pork and beans, baked potato, banana, and skim milk.

Thursday, Jan. 23

Italian baked chicken, pasta salad, whole-wheat roll, peas, peaches, and skim milk.

Friday, Jan. 24

Beef vegetable soup, egg salad sandwich, saltine crackers, frozen fruit salad, raisins, peanuts, and skim milk.



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TREADING WATER - Ben Coffey enjoys duck hunting with his dad, uncle, and cousins. Ben is wading in the water checking out the decoys during a recent duck hunting trip. (Photo submitted.)

It’s all about family for the Coffeys when it comes to duck hunting

Jessica Chism
Courier Correspondent

“My Dad” were the first two words replied when asked what made them get into duck hunting. “My dad was the first person to take me hunting,” they said. It was the first and main response that kept coming up in all the conversations.

For the Coffeys, duck hunting is a normal thing during this time of year. During duck season, Ben Coffey rises very early and cooks breakfast for everyone in the pit. “It just starts the day out right,” says Ben. “I’ve been doing this for 15 years. I was just nominated by everyone to cook.”

Duck hunting has just become a part of my life,” continued Ben. He adds that duck hunting is also a lot of work.

“We start getting the pit ready three to four weeks before the season begins and we usually put out twenty dozen field and water decoys,” Ben explained. “None of it is easy. Even the shooting part gets hard at times, especially when we aren’t killing anything.”

But, for Ben the most important aspect about duck hunting is spending time with his family, especially his Dad James Coffey, and friends.

Another Coffey family member that likes to hunt is Rob Coffey. He smiled and replied, “my Dad” (Dennis Coffey) is also the reason I duck hunt.

He says he was brought up in deer and duck hunting. “Dad has been taking me since I was 11 years old,” Rob remembered. “This is what I love to do. It’s like a stress reliever to me.”

Some days he just likes to get away from everything and the duck blind is the perfect getaway.

Scoping out the blind and location is a part of duck hunting, just like knowing what the meaning of banded duck is. “They usually band the ducks in Canada, and it’s mainly a tracking device,” Rob stated. “It is used to see how far the duck has traveled, how old it is, and so on.” He smiled when he adds that a duck hunter always likes getting one of those.

Thomas Ray, Rob’s brother-in-law, says he has killed five banded ducks. “It’s like a prize to me,” he says.

His advice to other duck hunters is to be patient and be persistent. Some days are better than others. “If I weren’t duck

hunting, I’d probably be crappie fishing,” Thomas added.

Some days are good. Some days are bad. But all in all, the Coffeys love duck hunting and love their dad.

It is not just duck hunting. It is

much more than that. It is being with family and friends.

It’s about getting together, eating good food, and just having fun with each other. In the eyes of the Coffey bunch, it will always be a family thing.



DECOYS - Ben Coffey is busy placing decoys in just the right places in a field of water with hopes that the ducks will find their way. (Photo submitted.)



FATHER AND SON - For Rob Coffey (right) his love of duck hunting came from his Dad, Dennis Coffey (right). (Photo submitted.)

Over four decades in the making Duck hunting is a ‘Major’ family tradition in this household

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Rising from sleep way before most people, adding layer upon layer of insulated clothing, and packing enough food and warm drink to last a few hours are just a few pieces of the rituals of a duck hunter. The sport of duck hunting is unlike most others. Duck hunters seem to wish for floodwaters and the cold weather.

In the Major household hunting is definitely a main part of their lives. Whether it is hunting ducks or other wild game, they take it seriously and they eat everything they shoot. “Our family loves to eat wild game,” said Rick Major. “If we hunt it, we eat it. The kids really eat game better than they do domestic meat.” The Major family prepares duck in a variety of ways. They fry it, grill it and sometimes even smoke it, but their favorite is frying it.

Rick and Mindy Major have three children, Dixie, 16, Daisy, 13, and Jackson, who will be seven this week. Jackson has been ducking hunting and even deer hunting with his dad for the last four years now, and started winter crappie fishing on Reelfoot in December before he turned three years old. He is hooked.

“I like to go through the water,” said Jackson on his favorite aspect of duck hunting. “That is definitely the funnest part. I also like shooting the ducks. Actually, I like everything about it.”

Jackson also mentions that it is really cold when you go duck hunting. This is true, cold and windy with the wind at your back, it can put the duck hunter in the ideal position for bringing down a few ducks.

“I use a 20 gauge, single shot shotgun,” said Jackson when asked about his preferred weapon. “I also help my dad keep it clean and ready for the next trip into the duck blind.”

The location of the duck blind and the construction of the blind is just about as important as the weather conditions. “We have a new duck blind,” explained Jackson. He was able to discuss in great detail just what he and his dad did to prepare the duck blind for this duck season.

As Jackson talked, you could see how proud his dad was to be passing down a family tradition that was instilled in Rick 40 years ago. “I started hunting with my dad, mother, and several uncles in 1974,” said Rick. “We hunted so much when I was a kid; it was the highlight of the year for me. There were always a lot of ducks and we always seemed to have backwater during season.”

Two things really stand out in Rick’s memory of hunting with his father as a young child. One of Rick’s fondest memories was riding through the woods in a Reelfoot Lake boat with his dad. One was the time spent with the crowds of duck hunters at breakfast at the Moonglow in the early 1970’s. The Moonglow drew a big crowd of hunters back in those days. “I remember the “old timers,” Billy Henry, Clyde Grissom, Ardel Fields and many others who would carry on loudly with the younger men while drinking coffee and eating breakfast encased in a constant cloud of cigarette smoke. Those older men would tell story after story of duck-days gone by and limit after limit. They were always encouraging me and the other young kids who stood on their every word. It was a real gathering place for sportsmen back then,” remembered Rick.

The other really standout memories involve the time Rick spent out with his Dad, especially boating through the



DUCK BLIND READY - Jackson Major is dressed to kill some ducks in the Major family duck blind. Eating breakfast in the blind is one of Jackson’s favorite aspects of duck hunting. (Photo submitted.)

timber in the dark. “We didn’t have an outboard and johnboat when I was a kid. We hunted out of two old Reelfoot Lake Boats. They were loud, slow, wobbly, and they had no reverse. Once you started going one direction, you were committed,” Rick remembered. “What was so fun was the radical transformation of my Dad when he sat down at the controls of a boat. My dad (Lynn Major) was typically a calm, serious, and level-headed guy. Some might even call him stern, but when he got in a boat he become a man wildly possessed. We would be bouncing off trees in the dark, wide open as he maneuvered his way to our duck hunting spot, jumping logs and crashing through buckbrush,” remembered Rick. “When I was in high school we got an outboard which basically gave him the ability to go even faster through the woods in the dark. College friends who came to hunt were stunned when he would throw me an oar and direct me to man the bow of the boat like some sort of amphibious medieval knight jousting with cottonwood trees and directing me to keep the front of the boat from hitting the trees we passed at half throttle. Those old friends would come back year after year just for the carnival ride through the timber.” With the humor aside, safety was always practiced when it came to duck hunting. “Firearm safety is always important,” he said. “Especially when you hunt during duck season. You have issues of the cold weather and water to deal with. It can be a life or death situation and things change instantly.”

Some duck hunting safety tips include having your boat, motor and trailer serviced before the season starts, wear a certified personal flotation device; never go hunting without telling somebody where you’re going; and treat everyone’s gun as if it’s loaded.

Being properly prepared and rising before dawn is just one aspect of the sport of duck hunting. With shooting hours beginning before sunrise and lasting until sunset, Jackson realizes it is important to wake up early. “I do have to go to bed early on the night before we go hunting,” he said. “When we do wake up early we take sausage and biscuits with us so I have something to eat.”

Jackson isn’t the only Major sibling who enjoys the sport of waiting for the perfect time to pull the trigger. Daisy and a few of her friends Halley Stewart and Mary Frances Williams have also been hunting with Rick. “I enjoy duck hunting, but it is cold,” she said. “I prefer to go deer hunting.” “I killed a boy and girl deer,” chimed in Jackson.

It is always fun to be there when someone new to duck hunting goes for the first time. This year, the Majors enjoyed hunting with a family friend, C.J. Bonds on his first duck hunting trip. “It was great seeing the gleam in C.J.’s smile with that first successful hunt with Jason in Goose Pond. Having a good place to go really is not that much fun to me at this point in my life unless we can share it with friends,” added Rick.

Yes, duck hunting has evolved over the last forty years since Rick trudged out in the water with his dad for the first time. Yes, the equipment has gotten more expensive and can get tore up in the blink of an eye. Yes, this winter when it gets so cold and the water freezes up, it isn’t ideal for duck hunting.

But one thing for sure remains true, the family affair of duck hunting in the Major household looks like it will remain a tradition for many years to come. Duck hunting season in western Kentucky ends January 26.



FUN IN THE SUN - It looks sunny, but is probably cold during duck hunting season. These three female duck hunters (l to r) Daisy Major, Mary Frances Williams and Halley Stewart are dressed for the colder temps associated with duck hunting. (Photo submitted.)

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